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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: AS-NEEDED UNDERGROUND AND ABOVEGROUND STORAGE TANK MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

- 1. Find that the contract work is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
- 2. Award the contract for As-Needed Underground and Aboveground Storage Tank Maintenance and Repair Services for an annual sum not to exceed \$460,385 to Redwine-Manley Testing Services, Inc., located in Bakersfield, California. This contract will be for a term of one year commencing on April 28, 2008, with three 1-year renewal options, not to exceed a total contract period of four years.
- 3. Authorize the Acting Director of Public Works or his designee to increase the contract amount up to an additional 25 percent of the annual contract sum for unforeseen, additional work within the scope of the contract, if required; and to adjust the annual contract sum for each option year over the term of the contract to allow for an annual cost-of-living adjustment in accordance with County policy and the terms of the contract.
- 4. Authorize the Acting Director of Public Works or his designee to execute the contract; to renew the contract for each additional renewal option if, in the opinion of the Acting Director of Public Works, the contractor has successfully performed during the previous contract period and the

services are still required; to approve and execute amendments to incorporate necessary changes within the scope of work; and to suspend work if, in the opinion of the Acting Director of Public Works, it is in the best interest of the County to do so.

# PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended action is to provide as-needed and intermittent maintenance and repair services to maintain underground and aboveground storage tanks within the unincorporated County areas and contract cities. The work to be performed will consist of providing maintenance and repair services and parts at approximately 60 Department of Public Works (Public Works) facility locations. Public Works has contracted these services since 1992.

# Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we provide Service Excellence (Goal 1), Organizational Effectiveness (Goal 3), and Community Services (Goal 6). The contractor who has the specialized expertise to provide these services accurately, efficiently, timely, and in a responsive manner will support Public Works in meeting these goals.

## FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund. The contract is for an annual amount not to exceed \$460,385 plus 25 percent for unforeseen, additional work within the scope of the contract. This amount is based on the unit prices quoted by the contractor and Public Works' estimated annual requirements for maintenance and repair.

These services will be financed as needed through various Public Works funds. Total annual expenditures for these services will not exceed the contract amount approved by your Board, and no services will be ordered without the funding authorization of Public Works' Financial Management Branch.

# FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract will be in the form previously reviewed and approved by County Counsel (Attachment A). The recommended contract with Redwine-Manley Testing Services, Inc., located in Bakersfield, California, was solicited on a competitive basis and is in accordance with applicable Federal, State, and County requirements. The contractor is in compliance with the Chief Executive Officer's and your Board's requirements.

The contract contains terms and conditions supporting your Board's ordinances, policies, and programs, including but not limited to: County's Greater Avenues for Independence and General Relief Opportunities for Work Programs (GAIN and GROW), Board Policy No. 5.050; Contract Language to Assist in Placement of Displaced County Workers, Board Policy No. 5.110; Reporting of Improper Solicitations, Board Policy No. 5.060; Notice to Contract Employees of Newborn Abandonment Law (Safely Surrendered Baby Law), Board Policy No. 5.135; Contractor Employee Jury Service Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.203; Notice to Employees Regarding the Federal Earned Income Credit (Federal Income Tax Law, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015); Contractor Responsibility and Debarment, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.202; the Los Angeles County's Child Support Compliance Program, Los Angeles County Code, Chapter 2.200; and the standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination or renegotiation.

Data regarding the proposers' minority participation is on file with Public Works. The contractor was selected upon final analysis and consideration without regard to race, creed, gender, or color.

The recommended contractor is Redwine-Manley Testing Services, Inc. This contract will commence on April 29, 2008, for a period of one year. With your Board's delegated authority, the Acting Director of Public Works may renew the contract for three 1-year renewal options, not to exceed a total contract period of four years.

Proof of the required Comprehensive General and Automobile Liability insurance policies, naming the County as additional insured, and evidence of Workers' Compensation insurance will be obtained from the contractor before any work is assigned.

Pursuant to the applicable memorandum of understanding, the Request for Proposals (RFP) for this contracted service was submitted on December 6, 2007, to the appropriate union for review. The union has not asked to meet with Public Works regarding this solicitation.

Public Works has evaluated and determined that the Living Wage Program (County Code Chapter 2.201) does not apply to this recommended contract, which is for services required on an as-needed and intermittent basis; hence, this contract is not a Proposition A contract (Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.121).

This contract includes a cost-of-living adjustment provision in accordance with your Board Policy, which was approved on January 29, 2002.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

These services are categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). These services are within a class of projects that has been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment in that it meets the criteria set forth in Section 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines and Class 8 of the County Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, Appendix G.

# **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

On December 6, 2007, Public Works solicited proposals from 130 independent contractors and community business enterprises to accomplish this work. Also, a notice of the RFP was placed on the County's bid website (Attachment B), and an advertisement was placed in the *Los Angeles Times*.

On January 14, 2008, two proposals were received. The proposals were first reviewed to ensure they met the minimum requirements in the RFP. Both proposals having met these requirements were then evaluated by an evaluation committee consisting of Public Works staff. The committee's evaluation was based on criteria described in the RFP, which included price, experience, work plan, and references. Based on this evaluation, it is recommended that this contract be awarded to the highest-rated, responsive, responsible, and lowest-cost proposer, Redwine-Manley Testing Services, Inc.

As Public Works' underground and aboveground storage tanks program consists of three separate service requirements (certification, maintenance and repair, and designated operator services), County Counsel instructed that individual service solicitations contain a conflict of interest clause that prevents one contractor from holding contracts for more than one of these service requirements. Redwine-Manley submitted the top-scoring proposals for both the RFP for maintenance and repair and the RFP for certification. As a result of the conflict of interest clause, Redwine-Manley's proposal for the certification contract was not recommended and its proposal for this contract is recommended.

Public Works has evaluated and determined that the Living Wage Program (County Code Chapter 2.201) does not apply to this recommended contract, which is for services required on an as-needed and intermittent basis, hence, this contract is not a Proposition A contract (Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.121).

# **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The award of this contract will not result in the displacement of any County employees as these services are presently contracted with the private sector.

# CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Administrative Services Division.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T FUJIOKA Chief Executive Officer

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Attachments (2)

c: County Counsel
Department of Public Works (Operational Services)

# AGREEMENT FOR

# AS-NEEDED UNDERGROUND AND ABOVEGROUND STORAGE TANK MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this	day of	, 2008,
by and between the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, a sub	division of the State	of California,
a body corporate and politic (hereinafter referred to as CC	DUNTY) and REDWI	<b>NE-MANLEY</b>
TESTING SERVICES, INC., a Corporation (hereinafter	referred to as CON	TRACTOR).

# WITNESSETH

<u>FIRST</u>: The CONTRACTOR, for the consideration hereinafter set forth and the acceptance by the Board of Supervisors of said COUNTY of the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal filed with the COUNTY on January 14, 2008, hereby agrees to provide services as described in the attached specifications for As-Needed Underground and Aboveground Storage Tank Maintenance and Repair Services, including, but not limited to, Exhibit A, Scope of Work.

SECOND: This AGREEMENT, together with Exhibit A, Scope of Work; Exhibit B, Service Contract General Requirements; Exhibit C, Internal Revenue Service Notice 1015; Exhibit D, Safely Surrendered Baby Law Posters; Exhibit E, County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works Underground and Aboveground Storage Tank Inventory; the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal, all attached hereto; the Request for Proposals; and Addenda to the Request for Proposals, all of which are incorporated herein by reference, are agreed by the COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR to constitute the Contract.

<u>THIRD</u>: The COUNTY agrees, in consideration of satisfactory performance of the foregoing services in strict accordance with the Contract specifications to the satisfaction of the Acting Director of Public Works, to pay the CONTRACTOR pursuant to the Schedule of Prices set forth in the Proposal and attached hereto as Form PW-2.1, an amount not to exceed \$460,385 per year (Maximum Contract Sum), or such greater amount as the Board may approve.

<u>FOURTH</u>: This Contract's initial term shall be for a period of one year commencing on April 28, 2008. At the discretion of the COUNTY, this Contract may be extended in increments of one year, not to exceed a total contract period of four years. The COUNTY, acting through the Acting Director, may give a written notice of intent to extend this Contract at least 30 days prior to the end of each term.

<u>FIFTH</u>: The CONTRACTOR shall bill monthly, in arrears, for the work performed during the preceding month. Work performed shall be billed at the hourly rates or unit prices quoted in Form PW-2.1, Schedule of Prices.

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<u>SIXTH</u>: Public Works will make payment to the CONTRACTOR within 30 days of receipt and approval of a properly completed invoice. Each invoice shall be in triplicate (original and two copies) and shall itemize the work completed. The invoices shall be submitted to:

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works Attention Fiscal Division, Accounts Payable P.O. Box 7508 Alhambra, CA 91802-7508

<u>SEVENTH</u>: Contractor shall include, but not limited to, the following information when providing invoices to Public Works:

- 1) Date of actual inspection call.
- 2) Invoice date.
- 3) Type of call: Routine Inspection or Special Service Call.
- 4) Contract number.
- 5) Work order number.
- 6) Site location name and address.
- 7) Itemized labor and materials billing breakdown with: Item description, including part number from current Charles E. Thomas Parts Catalogue; Price for each per Form PW-2.1, Schedule of Prices; Quantity; Labor hours; and total invoices amount.
- 8) Identification of the service technician performing the service.
- 9) Describe the service performed along with any discrepancies found at the site that were not addressed by the technician.
- 10) Reference to any Notice of Violation from South Coast Air Quality Management District.
- 11) Accompanied by the certification document copies of the test results.

<u>EIGHTH</u>: In no event shall the aggregate total amount of compensation paid to the CONTRACTOR exceed the amount of compensation authorized by the Board. Such aggregate total amount is the Maximum Contract Sum.

NINTH: The CONTRACTOR understands and agrees that only the designated Public Works Contract Manager is authorized to request or order work under this Contract. The CONTRACTOR acknowledges that the designated Contract Manager is not authorized to request or order any work that would result in the CONTRACTOR earning an aggregate compensation in excess of this Contract's Maximum Contract Sum.

<u>TENTH</u>: The CONTRACTOR shall not perform or accept work requests from the Contract Manager or any other person that will cause the Maximum Contract Sum of this Contract to be exceeded. The CONTRACTOR shall monitor the balance of this Contract's Maximum Contract Sum. When the total of the CONTRACTOR'S paid invoices, invoices pending payment, invoices yet to be submitted, and ordered services reaches 75 percent of the Maximum Contract Sum, the CONTRACTOR shall immediately notify the Contract Manager in writing. The CONTRACTOR shall send written notification to the

Contract Manager when this Contract is within six months from expiration of the term as provided for hereinabove.

ELEVENTH: The Acting Director may adjust the rate of compensation set forth in Form PW-2.1 (Schedule of Prices) annually based on the increase or decrease in the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics', All Urban Consumers Price Index for the Los Angeles-Riverside-Orange County Area (CPI) for the 12-month period preceding the contract anniversary date, which shall be the effective date for any such cost-of-living adjustment. The percentage change in the rate of compensation shall equal 12 times the average monthly change in the CPI over the first nine months of the contract term preceding the effective date. However, any percentage increase shall not exceed the general salary movement granted to COUNTY employees as determined by the COUNTY'S Chief Executive Office as of July 1 for the prior 12-month period. Furthermore, should fiscal circumstances ultimately prevent the Board from approving any increase in COUNTY employee salaries, no cost-of-living adjustment will be granted.

<u>TWELFTH</u>: In the event that terms and conditions, which may be listed in the CONTRACTOR'S Proposal, conflict with the COUNTY'S specifications, requirements, and terms and conditions as reflected in this AGREEMENT, including, but not limited to, Exhibits A through E, inclusive, the COUNTY'S provisions shall control and be binding.

<u>THIRTEENTH</u>: The CONTRACTOR agrees in strict accordance with the Contract specifications and conditions to meet the COUNTY'S requirements.

<u>FOURTEENTH</u>: This Contract constitutes the entire agreement between the COUNTY and the CONTRACTOR with respect to the subject matter of this Contract and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements and understandings.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the COUNTY has, by order of its Board of Supervisors, caused these presents to be subscribed by the Acting Director of Public Works, and the CONTRACTOR has subscribed its name by and through its duly authorized officers, as of the day, month, and year first written above.

# **COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES** Acting Director of Public Works APPROVED AS TO FORM: RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR. **County Counsel** Deputy REDWINE-MANLEY **TESTING** SERVICES, INC. Its President Type or Print Name Its Secretary

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## ATTACHMENT B

#### **Bid Detail Information**

Bid Number: PW-ASD700

Bid Title: AS-NEEDED UNDERGROUND AND ABOVEGROUND STORAGE TANK MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR

**SERVICES** 

Bid Type: Service

Department: Public Works

Commodity: LEAK DETECTION AND VAPOR MONITORING EQUIPMENT FOR TANKS

Open Date: 12/19/2007

Closing Date: 12/19/2007 2:00 PM

Bid Amount: \$95,000

Bid Download: Not Available

Bid Description: PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Public Works requests proposals for a contract for

As-Needed Underground and Aboveground Storage Tank Maintenance and Repair Services (2007-AN073). The annual contract amount of this service is estimated to be \$95,000. If not enclosed with this letter, the Request for

Proposals (RFP) with contract specifications, forms, and instructions for preparing and submitting

proposals may be requested by accessing this link at

ftp://dpwftp.co.la.ca.us/solicitationdocuments/UST&ASTmaintenance.pdf or from Mr. Edwin Manoukian at (626) 458 4057, Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Minimum Requirement(s): Proposers must meet all minimum requirements set forth in the RFP document, including, but not limited to, ability to furnish the services of three or more individuals who hold a valid certificate issued by the International Code Council (ICC), indicating that they have passed the California Underground Storage Tank Service Technician exam. In addition, the Proposer must have a minimum of three years' experience performing underground storage tank maintenance and repair services and hold a valid California issued General Contractor Class A license.

A Proposers' Conference will be held on Wednesday, December 19, 2007, at 2 p.m. at Public Works Headquarters, 900 South Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, California 91803, in Conference Room D. ATTENDANCE BY THE PROPOSER OR AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE AT THE CONFERENCE IS MANDATORY. Public Works will reject proposals from those whose attendance at the conference cannot be verified. Attendees should be prepared to ask questions at that time about the specifications, proposal requirements, and contract terms. After the conference, it may be impossible to respond to further requests for information.

The deadline to submit proposals is Wednesday, January 2, 2008, at 5:30 p.m. Please direct your questions to Mr. Manoukian at the number above.

Contact Name: Edwin Manoukian Contact Phone#: (626) 458-4057

Contact Email: emanoukian@dpw.lacounty.gov

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